

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A razor blade for attachment to a fixed bridge partition of a razor head, the razor blade comprising:

an edge portion with a cutting edge, and

a-an unperforated further portion for attachment to the bridge partition of the razor head, the edge portion being bent relative to the further portion in a bending zone spaced from said cutting edge by a bending device,

wherein at least the edge portion has a material structure hardened by a first heat treatment and wherein the bending zone has a locally re-heated structure formed subsequent to the first heat treatment.

2. (Previously presented) The razor blade as claimed in claim 1, wherein the bending zone is less than 1 mm away from the cutting edge.

3. (Previously presented) The razor blade as claimed in claim 1, wherein the razor blade has a blade material thickness, the blade material thickness at the bending zone ~~having a~~ being larger ~~thickness~~ than the blade material thickness at the unperforated further portion.

4. (Previously presented) A razor head comprising at least two razor blades, wherein each of the at least two razor blades is a razor blade as claimed in claim 1, mounted parallel to each other in the razor head,

wherein each razor blade has an edge portion with a cutting edge and a further portion, the edge portion being bent relative to the further portion in a bending zone spaced from said cutting edge, and wherein a spacing is present between the further portions of at least two of said razor blades,

wherein the edge portion of at least one of said at least two razor blades is bent towards at least one neighboring one of said at least two razor blades and projects towards said at least one neighboring one of said at least two razor blades over a distance

perpendicular to the further blade portion of said razor blade which is smaller than the spacing between the further portions of these at least two of said razor blades.

5. (Previously presented) A razor head comprising at least two razor blades, wherein each of the at least two razor blades is a razor blade as claimed in claim 1, mounted parallel to each other in the razor head, each razor blade having an edge portion with a cutting edge and a further portion, the edge portion being bent relative to the further portion in a bending zone spaced from said cutting edge, wherein a spacing is present between the cutting edges of at least two of said razor blades, wherein the spacing between successive cutting edges is less than 1.2 mm.

6. (Previously presented) A razor head comprising four razor blades, wherein each of the four razor blades is a razor blade as claimed in claim 1, mounted parallel to each other in the razor head, each razor blade having an edge portion with a cutting edge and a further portion, the edge portion being bent relative to the further portion in a bending zone spaced from said cutting edge, wherein a spacing is present between the cutting edges.

7. (Currently amended) A method of manufacturing a razor blade from a razor blade blank for attachment to a fixed bridge partition of a razor head, the method comprising acts of:

forming an edge portion of the razor blade blank with a cutting edge and a an unperforated further portion;

bending the edge portion relative to the further portion;

hardening the razor blade blank by a heat treatment; and

reheating, after hardening of the razor blade blank, a portion of the razor blade blank locally to bend the edge portion of the razor blade blank relative to the further portion of the razor blade blank,

wherein the unperforated further portion is attached to the bridge partition of the razor head.

8. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the local heating of the razor blade blank is carried out by locally irradiating the razor blade blank with a laser beam.

9. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the cutting edge is ground after hardening and before

bending.

10-12. (Canceled)